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Why upgrade now?

Your home energy upgrade can result in:

- [Rebates and incentives](#) (available on a first-come, first-served basis)
- [Reduced utility bills](#)
- [Improved building comfort](#)
- [Enhanced indoor air quality](#)
- [Reduced impact on the environment](#)
- [New local jobs](#)
- [A step on the path to a Green-Rated Home](#)



TAKE THE HOME ENERGY TOUR



Many homes leak hot air in the winter and trap heat in the summer, making us crank up the heat or air conditioning to be comfortable. It's like watching hard-earned cash fly out the doors, windows and ceiling of inefficient houses. Instead, think of your house as a complete system working together—a "whole house"—rather than individual elements.

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WHAT'S NEW



Win a Home Energy Makeover

Enter your home to win a free home energy makeover, worth up to \$15,000! Contest ends March 15, 2011.

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Meet the Sanchez Family

The Sanchez family is aiming for 30% energy savings—resulting in a cool, comfortable home and total cost savings of \$8,500.

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Get specifics about *your* home—your projects, rebates, incentives and easy steps to take.

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This is Your One-Stop Shop for Home Energy Upgrades

Energy Upgrade California helps Los Angeles homeowners make upgrades to reduce energy use, conserve resources and create more comfortable and efficient homes.

The program offers a "one stop shop" to guide you through the upgrade process:

- Selecting a package that suits your project
- Finding an energy advisor or contractor to do the work
- Applying for rebates, incentives or financing to help pay for it

Who can participate?

- Single-family homeowners
- Multi-family (up to four units) property owners

New construction is not eligible. Renters are not eligible. Non-residential buildings and large multi-family (five or more units) residential buildings will be added to the Program later.

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See all the ways you can become more energy efficient!

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Basic Upgrade

Starting with the basics—sealing and insulating your home—is the cheapest and easiest way to save energy and create a more comfortable home. And generous incentives make it even cheaper and easier!

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Advanced Upgrade

Looking for greater savings? Need to replace your old heater or air conditioner? Already planning a remodeling project? An advanced upgrade offers a customized solution for your unique needs—along with as much as \$4,500 in incentives.

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Enhanced Options

From recycled insulation to solar power, the choices you make today can conserve natural resources and protect the environment for future generations. They can also increase the value of your home.

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Basic Upgrade Package

Most of your home's energy loss happens due to leaks and thin walls. In cold months, warm air from your heater escapes through holes in your walls and attic, while cold air seeps in from the outside. In the summer, the hot sun bakes the shell of your house and creates an oven inside—making your AC work even harder.

The Basic Upgrade is the simplest way to take care of those problems and improve your home's comfort and efficiency. Here's how it works:

Step One

Contact a participating Energy Upgrade contractor.

Step Two

Complete the following **required** measures:

- Attic sealing
- Attic insulation
- Duct sealing
- Hot water pipe insulation
- Low-flow showerheads
- Combustion safety testing

Step Three

Apply for your rebates and incentives.

Advanced Upgrade

Create a custom-made solution that maximizes your savings, your comfort *and* your rebates. Your plan could include a high efficiency furnace, wall insulation and more!

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Enhanced Options

In addition to the basic elements listed above, you can add enhanced options such as water efficient landscaping, recycled materials and solar panels to your project. [Learn more >>](#)

POSSIBLE REBATES AVAILABLE

\$1,000

POTENTIAL ENERGY SAVINGS

10%

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Advanced Upgrade Package



No two homes (or homeowners) are exactly alike. Perhaps you're looking for ways to save even more on your utility bills. Maybe you're in the market for a new heating or cooling system and want to learn what options are available. Or maybe you are already planning to remodel your home and think it's the right time to make it more efficient.

No matter what your situation, the Advanced Upgrade Package can create a custom-made solution that maximizes your savings, your comfort *and* your rebates! Here's how it works:

Step One

Get your Home Energy Assessment (required).

Step Two

Choose a contractor and create a plan. Your plan might include some of the following measures:

- The Basic Upgrade Package
- High efficiency furnace
- Energy efficient air conditioning
- Energy efficient windows
- Wall insulation
- Tankless or solar water heater
- "Cool roof"
- Energy efficient/solar pool pumps and heaters

(Take the [tour](#) to see additional measures)

Step Three

When your project is complete, get an assessment to find out the amount of your rebates and incentives (up to \$4,500 not including federal tax credits). [Learn more >>](#)

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POSSIBLE REBATES AVAILABLE

\$4,500.00

POTENTIAL ENERGY SAVINGS

40%

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Enhanced Upgrade Options



Homeowners who are planning either the Basic or Advanced Packages can consider adding some enhanced options to their project to help conserve natural resources and reduce greenhouse gases. They'll put you on the path toward a Green-Rated Home.

Step One

Choose your [Basic](#) or [Advanced](#) package.

Step Two

Talk to your contractor about the following enhanced options:

- Recycled content insulation
- Water efficient landscaping
- Solar panels
- Wind turbines

Step Three

Apply for any additional incentives that may be available (for example, federal tax credits or local water company rebates).

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Yes, You Can Afford to Upgrade!

Energy Upgrade California offers attractive incentives for homeowners who want to make their homes more efficient and more comfortable. Go to [My Action Plan](#) to find specific rebates and incentives available to you.

"Whole House" Incentives¹

Package	Energy Savings Achieved ²	Utility	LA County
Basic	N/A	\$1,000	0
Advanced	10%	\$1,250	0
	15%	\$1,500	0
	20%	\$2,000	\$500
	25%	\$2,500	\$500
	30%	\$3,000	\$500
	35%	\$3,500	\$500
	40%	\$4,000	\$500
Total amount available:			\$4,500

¹Available for customers of both Southern California Gas and Southern California Edison

²Based on the results of a third-party test on completion of your project

If you live in one of the following cities, go to [My Action Plan](#) to find specific incentives:

- Burbank
- City of Los Angeles
- Glendale
- Long Beach
- Pasadena

Financing

Energy Upgrade California is working with local lenders to create affordable financing options that allow homeowners to pay for their upgrade over time. [Learn more >>](#)

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About Participating Contractors

All of the contractors participating in Energy Upgrade California can guide you through your project. Depending on the package you choose you may need to work with a particular type of contractor.

Basic Upgrade Contractors

Contractors offering the Basic Upgrade are trained in the proper procedures for installing insulation and sealing your home. They also conduct combustion safety tests—an essential safety feature for these projects.

Advanced Upgrade Contractors

Advanced Upgrade Contractors are “home performance” specialists who approach your house as a system—integrating insulation, sealing, heating and cooling to create maximum savings. Advanced Upgrade Contractors are certified by the [Building Performance Institute](#), a nationally recognized credentialing program.

Most Advanced Upgrade Contractors are qualified to conduct the energy assessment required by the Advanced Upgrade Package. However, some homeowners may prefer to work with an independent [Energy Advisor](#) to perform the assessment.

Enhanced Options Contractors

Because the enhanced options vary, you may need to work with specialized contractors to complete the project. Some specialty contractors include:

- Green Building Contractors
- Solar Installers
- Landscape Designers

Your Basic or Advanced Upgrade contractor can help you determine the best professional to help complete your enhanced options.

Quality Assurance

Energy Upgrade California ensures the quality of participating contractors using scheduled and random inspections of projects by a neutral third-party. Any project must also follow any applicable local city and county building codes and permitting.


SEARCH FOR CONTRACTORS

Search all contractors in Los Angeles County:

☐ Search for Energy Advisors

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Becoming a Participating Contractor

Energy Upgrade California is an opportunity for local contractors to expand their skills and build new business. The program offers tangible benefits for building professionals, including:

- Training in the latest home performance standards
- Listing on an online contractor directory
- Connection to clients looking for services
- Marketing support and outreach materials

Advanced Upgrade Contractors

Contractors interested in offering the Advanced Upgrade Package must be certified by the Building Performance Institute (BPI). In addition, they must attend a half-day orientation on the program itself.

Basic Upgrade Contractors

Contractors interested in offering the Basic Upgrade Package must attend a half-day orientation about the program and a three-day participation training about the basic elements (insulation, duct sealing, combustion testing, etc.).

[View the Calendar](#) to find a training near you.

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Energy Upgrade California helps communities in many ways—by creating local jobs, supporting community organizations and creating a healthier environment for everyone.

Getting involved can mean more than making upgrades to your home—you can help build a network of energy smart and efficiency savvy neighbors. Explore this page to find out about local news, events and contests in your area.



I'm starting on my Energy Upgrade;
Follow me on Twitter too
Posted by Mary Hall • November 1, 2010

I was a little nervous about this being a complicated program, but once I got into it, it really just took a few steps. I've been waiting for new windows and this is my chance! And my contractor is going to handle all the paperwork for rebates. I'm going to be posting and sending out tweets if you want to follow me.



Here's a tip if you want solar panels
Posted by Martin Kamer • November 1, 2010

Yes, you can include solar panels. You have to do at least The Basics to get a rebate. And then you can include solar in the total financing package. Here's what I didn't know: by sealing and insulating my home first, I found I needed fewer solar panels than what I had been told two years ago. That certainly saved me money.

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NEWS/FEATURES



Altadena High School Receives \$5,000
Ten families in the Altadena area completed home energy upgrades—the school received \$5,000 for improvements to the track and field area.
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Community Meeting in Santa Monica
Join homeowners who have completed energy upgrades to learn more about benefits, incentives, financing and choosing contractors.
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Boy Scout Troop 203
Nonprofit community organizations in your community can receive \$500 from Energy Upgrade California for every completed home energy upgrade project. Boy Scout Troop 203 is the newest Energy Champion.

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